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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement dated September 20, 2006,
Applicants submit as follows:

Applicants provisionally elect Invention I and claims 1-9 encompass
Invention I.


Applicants respectfully traverse the restriction requirement. Inventions I and
II are not distinct. The method claims 10 and 11 are specially adapted for making the
product recited in claims 1-9. Since the method as claimed cannot be used to make a product
different than the claimed product, the restriction requirement should be withdrawn.

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Applicants reserve the right to pursue the non-elected claims in a divisional application prior to issuance of a patent on the instant application.

Respectfully submitted,

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